



MEMORANDUM

DATE	April 8, 2014
TO	Multidisciplinary Advisory Committee
FROM	Annemarie Del Mugnaio, Executive Officer DCA/Veterinary Medical Board
SUBJECT	Review and Consider University License

Background:

California law allows for an exemption to licensure for veterinarians working at UC Davis.

In states that have veterinary schools, there are either exemptions or some form of university licensure that accommodates the schools needs for hiring of veterinarians from all over the world who sometimes come into a state for a limited period of time and do not remain and who do not practice outside the confines of the university.

The problem arises when the university veterinary hospital is providing services to the general public and the consumer does not have recourse through the licensing board when there is a problem. In its Strategic Plan, the Board discussed the possibility of changing the law to require a license for veterinarians providing services to the public at the veterinary clinic. The discussion revolved around a "university" license that would not require the standard exams or equivalency programs, but would be issued and could be disciplined if necessary.

At its November 13, 2014 meeting, the MDC formed a subcommittee to discuss the issue of the university license with both the Deans' of UC Davis and Western University and to formulate provisions for the university license.

Action Requested:

Included in the meeting materials are notes from the meetings with the Deans, sample language modified from Ohio's laws on limited licensure, and information regarding the Medical Board Special Programs.

This item is up for discussion and consideration by the MDC.

**Notes/Action Items after the meeting with
UCD Deans Lairmore, Pascoe, & Wilson
Jon Klingborg, DVM**

- 1) Clarify to the VMB that the UCD's current system does provide oversight and recourse if a faculty member has not fulfilled expectations for patient care.
- 2) Create a License category that will give the Faculty Member the full rights and privileges of any other California Veterinarian Licensee – for example, the ability to sign Health Certificates and write Prescriptions.
- 3) Have the renewal be every two years, as is currently the standard for other VMB Licensees.
- 4) Provide this license at a Reduced Fee.
- 5) Allow for any Licensee who is enrolled in a Residency program to be issued a License for the duration of their Residency program – 1, 2, or 3 years.
[Some residencies are 4 years; however, it would seem that the biennial renewal for these individuals is reasonable and makes the language simple.](#)
- 6) Exclude Researchers from the need to be Licensed – this Limited License is only necessary for individuals who may perform some level of Primary care to animals within California.
- 7) Require the Veterinary Law Exam to be taken and passed once – at the same Fee as for other Licensees who must take the test.

Other Action Steps for the VMB and Multi-Disciplinary Committee:

- a) We do need to address whether the Exemption Language currently in place that references the College of Agriculture needs to remain in place or is outdated.

[It would seem that the proposed language that states veterinary academic instruction - covers universities and technical colleges so obviates the need for stating specifically the College of Agriculture, School of Veterinary Medicine etc](#)

- b) We do not intend to set a different standard than is currently in place for those DVMs who function in a Consultative role but do not deliver primary care – comparisons to the veterinarians on staff at IDEXX and Antech and whether or not they must be California Licensees was discussed.

Information for International Physicians

Medical Board Special Programs

The California Medical Board Division of Licensing administers special programs (Sections 2111, 2113, and 2168) for international medical graduates who seek postgraduate training or are being recruited as faculty members in an approved California medical school.

- **Section 2111:** The intent of the Section 2111 program is to provide a clinical experience for an internationally trained physician who will then return to his/her country of origin to provide improved or enhanced medical care. This clinical fellowship training does not meet postgraduate training requirements needed for medical licensure in California.

If the internationally trained physician holds a J1 Research Scholar Visa, the clinical experience must be limited to incidental patient contact (ie, less than 20% time) and no invasive procedures may be performed.

- **Section 2113:** The Section 2113 program is for international medical graduates or physicians licensed in another state who will undertake clinical and teaching responsibilities, as a faculty member at a California medical school. The program is designed to allow California medical schools to recruit qualified international graduates with specific expertise who are not yet eligible for medical licensure in California.
- **Section 2168:** The Section 2168 program is for international medical graduates or physicians licensed in another state who are academically eminent, hold or has been offered a full time appointment at the level of full professor or associate professor, is clearly outstanding in a specific field of medicine or surgery, and a great need exists to fill the position.

California Business and Professions Code

SPECIAL PROGRAMS

SECTION	2111	2113	2168
SUMMARY	Postgraduate study in approved CA Med School for foreign trained MD w/ current valid med license in other state or country. Is not yet eligible for a CA license.	Full-time faculty position for foreign trained MD w/ current valid medical license in other state or country. Is not yet eligible for a CA license.	Full-time faculty position for foreign trained MD w/ current valid med license in other state/ country. Not yet eligible for CA license. Academically "eminent" tenured full professor who is outstanding in field and great need exists to fill position.
I. OBJECTIVE:			
A. Position	Trainee	Full-Time Faculty	Full- Time Faculty (After 1 st renewal, can be employed Part-Time)
B. Title	Visiting Fellow	Visiting Professor (any rank)	Either Full or Associate Professor
C. Series	N/A	No restriction	A. Line (FT, Tenure Track) B. Full or Associate Professor (FT)
D. Credit toward CA Post-Graduate Training	No	Yes	No
E. Authorization	Training Program- Licensing Exemption	Certificate of Registration	Special Faculty Permit
II. BACKGROUND:			
A. General			
1. U.S. Citizen	No or USFMG	Unspecified	Unspecified
2. Legal Admission to U.S.	Yes	Yes, if not citizen	Yes, if not citizen
B. Medical Qualifications			
1. Foreign			
M.D.	CMB Approved School	CMB Approved School	
Residency	3 years		
2. Qualified for CA License	No	Expected to lead to CA med license	No
3. Other		Required experience: - Licensed to practice for a minimum of 4 years [either practice in US or licensure in foreign country or combination of the two]	1) Academically Eminent: A. Offered Full- Time, Tenure Track position OR B. Clearly outstanding in a discipline for which there is great need for the position and offered Full or Assoc Prof position 2) Valid license elsewhere
III. PROCESS:			
A. Application Form	Yes	Yes	Yes
B. Fee	Yes	Yes	Yes
C. Supporting Letters			
1. Department Chair	- Statement describing recruitment efforts - Proposed Clinical and research activities with list of clinical practice locations	- Statement describing recruitment efforts, proposed clinical and research activities with list of practice locations - Statement describing additional details as requested on application	- Statement describing details as requested on application
2. Dean	Statement requesting licensing exemption	Statement requesting licensing exemption	- Statement describing qualifications and academic eminence. Must demonstrate great need to fill the position. - List of affiliations and justification for clinical activity
IV. APPROVAL:			
Activity	Participate in professional activities of department	Practice medicine as a part of faculty duties	Practice medicine within school and as part of faculty duties
Maximum Duration	3 years	3 years [Provided ECFMG is passed & need is justified, registration can be extended for add'l 2yr period]	Unlimited
Renewal	Annual	Annual	Biennial during birth month
Also	Name tag ID, "Visiting Fellow," must be worn	- Not authorized to admit patients to nursing or skilled living facilities unless formally affiliated with med school - Name tag ID, "Visiting Faculty Member" must be worn	- Approved by SFPR Committee - Can only be department chair or division chief if approved by SFPR committee - Cannot have held a 2113 for 2yrs or more preceding the date of the application

Faculty License Sub-Committee

Jon Klingborg, DVM and Jennifer Boyle, RVT

This language to be added in lieu of language in Section 4830, Section (4)—

This language is the proposal from UC Davis

2010 (c)? Limited License to Practice Veterinary Medicine

The California state veterinary medical licensing board may issue a limited license to practice veterinary medicine to an individual whose sole professional capacity is with a veterinary academic institution or with a government diagnostic laboratory recognized by the board in accordance with rules the board adopts. A veterinarian holding a limited license is authorized to engage in the practice of veterinary medicine only to the extent necessary to fulfill the person's employment or educational obligations as an instructor, diagnostician, intern, resident, clinical fellow, or other post graduate training position. The board may issue a limited license to an applicant who submits a completed application on a form prescribed by the board, pays the applicable fee that shall not exceed 50% of the fee for a Veterinary Licensee, has received a passing score on the Veterinary Law Exam, and meets any additional criteria established by the board. The Faculty Licensee will renew the license every two years as set forth by the Board, except for individuals involved in a Residency or Internship Program, where their Limited License shall be valid for the duration of that program, but not to exceed 3 years.